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Cancel claims 3 and 5, and substitute for claim 1 the following amended claim. The changes made to the amended claim are explicitly shown in the attached "Marked-Up Version of the Amended Claim."

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